

REMARKS

Specification

Applicant has amended the specification pursuant to the Examiner's objections and to correct minor typographical errors. A substitute specification incorporating said amendments is attached hereto. No new matter has been introduced.

Allowable Subject Matter

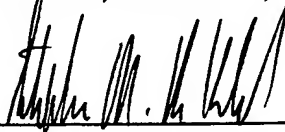
Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of claims 1-18 by the Examiner.

Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call Stephen M. De Klerk at (408) 720-8300.

Please charge any shortages and credit any overages to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. Any necessary extension of time for response not already requested is hereby requested. Please charge any corresponding fee to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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